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Question of Western Sahara

Request for hearing

Letter dated 3 October 1999 from Mr. Akbar Ali Thobhani addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)*

I have the honour to request your authorization to make a statement before the Fourth Committee as a petitioner, in order to give my account of the transformation of Western Sahara since 1975, which could be of great use in the consideration of this question. I am a professor at Metropolitan State College in Denver, Colorado, and an expert in questions relating to Africa and the Middle East.

(*Signed*) Akbar Ali **Thobhani**

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